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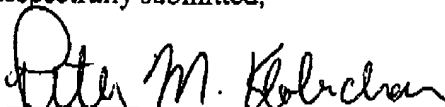
Dear Sir:

Applicants in the above-identified application respectfully request a three month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2003. The period of time to respond was set to expire on January 30, 2004. With this Extension, the time to respond is now set at April 30, 2004. You are hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 23-0280 for the \$950.00 extension fee.

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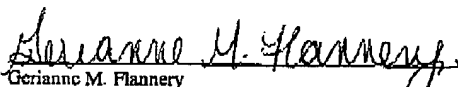
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